

In the Specification:

Please amend Paragraphs 10 and 11 of the specification as follows:

[0010] Fig. 4, a vertical section taken on the line 4-4 of Fig. 3; and

[0011] Fig. 5, a fragmentary vertical section taken on the line 5-5 of Fig. 3 showing locating pins extending from the microscope base into receiving holes in the base platform; and

Please add the following new paragraph immediately after Paragraph 11:

Fig. 6, a fragmentary vertical section similar to that of Fig. 5, but showing the base platform raised slightly above the microscope base as it would be as the base platform is being placed onto the microscope base or is being removed from the microscope base.

Please amend Paragraphs 15 and 16 as follows:

[0015] Index platform 18 has side rail rails 22 extending along its sides to form a slideway between the rails to slidably receive a microscope plate 23, Figs. 2, 3, and 4. Microscope plate 23 fits closely between the Side side rails 22 Microscope plate 23 so microscope plate 23 is slidable in substantially only one dimension. Stops 24 may be formed at the respective ends of the slideway to limit sliding travel of microscope plate 23. Microscope plate 23 includes wells 25, Fig. 3, with each well having a relatively small reservoir 26 and a relatively large reservoir 27. Samples to be viewed through the microscope are placed or formed in the relatively small reservoirs 26 which are then selectively moved into microscope viewing

field 14, Fig. 4, to be examined by a user through the microscope. The microscope viewing field 14 is generally slightly smaller in diameter than the relatively small reservoirs 26 placed in the microscope viewing field 14, so the microscope sees a magnified image of an area of the relatively small reservoir 26, here substantially all of the relatively small reservoir 26, located in the microscope viewing field 14. Microscope plate 23 may be slightly movable between side rails 22 so can be moved slightly by a user so the user can see substantially the entire relatively small reservoir 26.

[0016] Rather than, or in addition to, slip resistant feet 12, base platform 10 may be held in substantially fixed position on the microscope base 11, by locating post 28, Fig. 5 Figs. 5 and 6, with enlarged feet 29 having adhesive pads 30 secured to microscope base 11. Locating posts 28 fit into locating post receiving holes 31 with enlarged feet 29 fitting into enlarged diameter portions 32, Fig. 6, of locating post receiving holes 31. While slip resistant feet 12 are generally sufficient to maintain base platform 10 in substantially fixed position on microscope base 11, locating posts 28 ensure a substantially fixed position. With locating posts 28 adhered to microscope base 11, base platform 10 can be easily placed in position over such posts by placing locating post receiving hole 31 over locating post 28 and pushing base platform 10 down over the locating posts. Base platform 10 may be easily removed by pressing the top of locating posts 28 through upper tapered portions 33 of locating post receiving holes 31.